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For: REFRIGERANT PIPE WASHING METHOD,	:	<b><i>Amendment After Final Rejection</i></b>
AIR CONDITIONER UPDATING METHOD,	:	
AND AIR CONDITIONER ( <i>As Amended</i> )	:	

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT WITH CERTIFICATION**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with MPEP 609 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants bring the references listed on the attached PTO-1449-Form to the Examiner's attention and request that they be considered and made of record in this application. ***Copies of the non-U.S. patents are attached.***

Japanese Patent Publication No. 2001-181660 is a Japanese language document. U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0057397 is an English counterpart of 2001-181660 and is also listed on the attached PTO-1449-Form.

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